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CONTINENTAL CHOCOLATES

DON'T SELL KIWIS

SHORT, COACH WARNS

— By LOU GAUTIER —

National team coach, Joe Vlasits, revealed this week that a preliminary Australian World Cup squad of 26 players would be selected within a fortnight.

Though Australia's World Cup commitments are still indefinite, the players will start training immediately.

The squad will not assemble until before our first World Cup match, probably in October, but will undergo thorough training under the supervision of local State and club coaches.

This has been devised by Joe Vlasits to enforce a uniform training schedule until the reduced squad assembles shortly before the first World Cup elimination match.

At this stage it is not clear whether FIFA will agree to the amended draw submitted jointly by the Asian and Oceania Confederations or whether they will insist on the original groupings.

Irrespective of the opposition, Vlasits is determined to leave no stone unturned to ensure that the national team takes the field fully prepared this time.

To avoid a repetition of drop-outs from the national team (Marnoch in 1967 and Abonyi this year against Japan) questionnaires have

already been sent out to prospective World Cup players to find out if they can take time off work if selected.

"For the first time a serious attempt is being made to prepare an Australian national team," Vlasits said.

"With the right sort of co-operation from all concerned — players, coaches, clubs and State federations — the national team should be in tip-top shape by the time the World Cup kicks off."

Vlasits is not underestimating any of our prospective opponents.

"Even New Zealand will be hard to beat," he said.

"We didn't have things all our own way when we beat them 5-3 at the Saigon Tournament last November."

"New Zealand have a full-time Director of Coaching and are more advanced than Australia in their national team policy."

"To underestimate the Kiwis would be downright foolish and dangerous. This is a mistake we won't make!"



The Manly defence clears under pressure in this goalmouth incident last Saturday. The white jerseyed players are Azzopardi (No. 9) and Goldie of Melita Eagles.

MIDDLE OF TABLE HAS

STARTED TO BUNCH UP

The first series of the second round produced some hefty shocks: Yugal winning at Lambert Park, taking the total of four points from APIA this year; St. George bringing home the bacon from the dreaded Woonona and Manly stealing a point from Melita Eagles.

At the top Hakoah's three-point margin is unchanged and their unbeaten record since last August still intact.

Pan Hellenic and Prague chalked up useful wins to strengthen their places among the top four; the defeats of APIA, Croatia and South Coast could have been costly.

With 10 rounds to go, it would be unwise to rule out too many teams from the

semifinal race.

If they could stage a grand recovery, even Yugal and St. George could still make it — though the odds are stacked against them.

Polonia's luck held fast; just when they lost, the two teams hotly in their pursuit — APIA and Croatia — also conveniently went down, enabling them to keep their distance.

At the bottom the last place once again went to Canterbury who are having a battle royal with Manly.

Though desperately in need of points, Manly almost did a "North Korea", allowing a 3-0 lead to dissipate into a draw and nearly a defeat.

From the point of view of the semifinals, the Hakoah v. Croatia and St. George v.

APIA clashes are the most significant this weekend.

Should either Croatia or the Saints lose, their position becomes all but desperate.

Crowds last weekend totalled a healthy 18,254 despite Saturday's rainy, wintry conditions.

More than 200,000 fans have now watched the First Division competition.

— Paul Dean

JULY 12

SPECIAL

July 12 — make sure you get your copy of "Soccer World" of that date.

You'll be awfully sore if you miss it.

Why? We'll tell you more about it next week.

But seriously, try to remember: July 12. It's something very special.

NSW Federation First Division

TEAM	AGGREGATE							HOME							AWAY							NEXT OPPONENT
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	* HOME MATCH
Hakoah	12	8	4	—	24	9	20	5	4	1	—	12	5	9	7	4	3	—	12	4	11	Croatia *
Pan Hellenic	12	8	1	3	24	12	17	7	6	—	1	17	7	12	5	2	1	2	7	5	5	Manly
Prague	12	7	2	3	28	18	16	5	4	1	—	12	1	9	7	3	1	3	16	17	7	Yugal
Polonia	12	6	3	3	18	15	15	7	3	2	2	11	11	8	5	3	1	1	7	4	7	Melita *
APIA	12	5	4	3	22	18	14	5	3	1	1	10	6	7	7	2	3	2	12	12	7	St. George
Croatia	12	5	2	5	19	21	12	6	2	2	2	8	9	6	6	3	—	3	11	12	6	Hakoah
SCU	12	4	3	5	24	16	11	6	4	—	2	20	7	8	6	—	3	3	4	9	3	Canterbury
Yugal	12	4	3	5	17	20	11	7	2	3	2	9	9	7	5	2	—	3	8	11	4	Prague *
St. George	12	4	2	6	12	16	10	7	2	1	4	6	12	5	5	2	1	2	6	4	5	APIA *
Melita Eagles	12	2	4	6	10	17	8	6	—	4	2	7	10	4	6	2	—	4	3	7	4	Polonia
Manly	12	1	3	8	15	29	5	7	—	1	6	5	16	1	5	1	2	2	10	13	4	Pan Hellenic *
Canterbury	12	2	1	9	13	35	5	5	2	—	3	7	11	4	7	—	1	6	6	24	1	SCU *

READERS' LETTERS

CRITICS HAVE BASH AT NEWCASTLE SOCCER

I am heartily fed up with the continuous grunting and moaning from Newcastle soccer circles.

From what I've read over the years in "Soccer World" in letters from Northern readers and in articles from your Newcastle correspondent, I've come to the conclusion that Newcastle soccer must be suffering from an inferiority complex.

How else can you explain the ideas and comments which invariably emanate from Newcastle's soccer community?

Correct me if I'm wrong, but wasn't it Newcastle which wanted autonomy from Sydney in soccer affairs in the first place?

Apparently, now they've discovered they can't make a go of it without "big brother."

They should be big enough to admit they cannot run soccer on their own, and would be far better off as a country branch of the NSW Federation, run from Sydney, instead of sniping at the successful Sydney-based Federation and clubs.

Newcastle, in the distant past, may have been one of the hubs of Australian soccer, but Newcastle in 1968 is little more than a backwater.

Their standards have slipped incredibly in the past 20 years, their crowds are almost non-existent, and the junior talent which still abounds, somehow, is utterly wasted as youngsters have no future in Newcastle under the present set-up.

I think the Australian Federation should thoroughly investigate the state of the code in a once flourishing area.

I am convinced they would then come up with the obvious cure, namely a unified, central NSW soccer body, with its headquarters in Sydney.

I am a former Novocastrian. About once a month I visit the city of my birth, and I'm appalled at how the game has slipped in a once thriving soccer centre.

Sydney soccer may have many faults, but it's so far ahead of Newcastle in every respect, that it's not funny.

"Rosebud,"

(name withheld at writer's request).

BODY-SNATCHING

The letter from Paul MacKenzie about the NSW team against Cardiff City being "Southern NSW" is alright by me.

How can Sydney say it covers the North when it doesn't?

We produced most of the good Australian players Sydney ever got.

There was Digger Evans, Alfie Perris, Pussy Kear, Normie Conquest, Reg Date, Jock Parkes, Jock Hodge and George Russell.

Also players like Ron, Jack and Bennie Hughes in letters from Northern and Pippy Wilkinson.

Sydney has taken Ray Baartz, Ron Giles and Dennis Wright.

They ought to make their own players and leave Newcastle alone.

P. Falls,
Mayfield East.

TROUBLE TIPPED

I do not agree with the letter about Sydney and Newcastle combining, as it would lead to nothing but trouble.

The NSW Junior Association splits up the whole State into zones, and each zone runs itself.

The so-called big clubs don't know how to work together, so why worry about them.

Just let the junior clubs get on with the job.

Bert Arthur,
Beralla.

SELF-HELP

The Eastern Suburbs junior people are unhappy that they are not going ahead when every other district does.

They might have only themselves to blame.

Every other Association has its foundation in strong clubs from every suburb, but Eastern Suburbs have few such clubs.

It is no good saying that the Federation clubs don't help much, because it is mainly up to the juniors to do their own job themselves.

Eastern Suburbs ought to combine with one of the nearby Associations like Canterbury, St. George or Sutherland for a few years, as this is about the only way they will learn to operate properly.

C. Williams,
Botany.

SLOW-CLAPPING DEPLORABLE

The slow-clapping towards the end of the Cardiff-NSW match was surely not done by true followers of our game.

This only does harm, because the press and anti-soccer people just seize on this to discredit our sport.

The Cardiff team had played the day before, they also tried hard to score in the second half, but only the brilliance of Corry saved NSW.

We still cannot beat a full-time professional side, even a Second Division one, with part-time players.

All in all, Cardiff still have an unbeaten record in Australia.

H. Sydney,
Ashfield.

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SYDNEY CLUB PATROL

The NSW Federation Management Committee is concerned at the growing violence at First Division matches. An inquiry may soon be held to investigate the increase of rough play and incidents on the field. Some officials are not happy with the standard of refereeing. "Deplorable" is how one leading executive described the refereeing at the match he attended last weekend.

GREG WOODS, 21, in his first season with Western Suburbs, has scored 10 goals in his last three first grade matches.

The wife of APIA's ace sharpshooter, JOHNNY GIACOMETTI, gave birth to a daughter, Jacqueline, last Saturday. She is the Giacometti's first child.

South Coast's ace forward, RON MCGARRY, has now found employment locally. He works as a carpenter's laborer at the Port Kembla Steelworks.

How's this for a remarkable COINCIDENCE? Hakoah and APIA both won 6-0 in second grade last weekend. Both Keddies (John of APIA and Dave of Hakoah) scored four goals and in each instance the defeated team, Yugal and Canterbury, scored an "own" goal!

NS-Inter's goalkeeper, DRAGO MARKULIN, is in St. Vincent's Hospital undergoing tests for a suspected brain tumor.

First and Second Division results are broadcast on Station 2WL, WOLLONGONG, every Sunday night at 6.15 p.m.

Melita Eagles have signed Granville's young goalkeeper, PAUL MURRAY.

PAT WOODS and Melita Eagles have settled their differences and the veteran full-back turned out last Saturday in the second grade team against Manly.

JOE CILIA, Melita's regular centre-half is recovering from a cartilage operation and is expected to resume training in about five weeks.

The MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, led by president Jim Bayutti, will meet the Second Division clubs at the Hellenic Club on Thursday, June 27, to discuss vital mat-

ters concerning the Second Division and iron out some contentious issues.

South Coast United have denied TOM MULQUEENEY the transfer to district Illawarra club, Bellambi, he was seeking. The burly forward will now cool his heels on the sidelines.

BALGOWNIE have created a great deal of interest on the South Coast since acquiring Barry Salisbury. Their home crowds are much larger than in previous seasons. A local firm has donated a huge steel scoreboard to the club, one of the best of its kind on any NSW soccer ground.

On the Queen's Birthday weekend, the WARRINGAH SAINTS were once again host to a visiting country side. After a very successful visit to Orange by the club at the conclusion of last season, Saints invited representative teams from Orange to Warringah to play a series of four games against their own senior teams. Saints won three of the fixtures and Orange District one. It is intended to regularly host and visit other areas in the future.

Hurrah! The ABC has restored MARTIN ROYAL's match reports in the 2BL Sports news session at 6.15 p.m. on Sunday evenings.

The Federation and Junior REFEREES' representatives are to meet again shortly to further discuss how their organisations can be better arranged and outstanding differences resolved.

Next Monday night at the Western Suburbs Soccer Club, the NSW COACHES Federation has arranged an outstanding speaker in WARWICK SELVEY, who represented Australia in the Tokyo Olympics. Selvey, who is a physiotherapist and chiropractor, holds the Australian discus record.

The NSW AMATEUR CUP will be contested for the first time this season. Competing clubs are drawn from both city and country, provided they are in associations affiliated to the NSW Amateur Association. Entrants include clubs from Cowra, Bathurst, Dubbo, Ettalong Beach, Wollongong district, Cessnock, Maitland and Sydney. Many clubs have entered both for the NSW Amateur Cup and the under-21 championship Robertson Cup, and State officials are hopeful that the

draw will enable some club's under-21 sides to play the early fixture to their senior team.

The three new ST. GEORGE-BUDAPEST recruits arrived last week as scheduled. They are Joe Kane, 23, an inside forward from Gravesend, formerly Huddersfield Town, and Fred McCalliog, 18, a forward and Stan Nowakowski, 18, a half, both from Sheffield Wednesday. Now this week the Saints are expecting two more from Argentina: right winger Puchlas from Boca Juniors and wing-half Sangiovanni, whose last club was Cali in Colombia.

Returns so far received by NSW Amateur Association secretary, DAVID CHILDS, show handsome increases in the number of country players in 1968. Western NSW increased 11% in playing strength, and Southern NSW by 6%. Northern NSW returns will indicate the State's best increase, but no indicative figures are available yet for the strong Hunter Valley district.

An amazing 102 teams were attracted to GUNNEDAH on the Queen's Birthday weekend for a big six-a-side tournament. Clubs competed from Sydney, Tenterfield, Tamworth, Walcha, Narrabri and Armidale.

Western Suburbs' second grade team is UNBEATEN since July last year. Granville is the last team that beat them. Wests have vowed to prolong their undefeated run longer than Hakoah, unbeaten since August 1967.

An experienced English player-coach of Italian origin is interested in coming to Australia. He is CARLO NASTRI, 31, former Crystal Palace player now with East Ham United. His address: 106 Cavendish Mansions, Clarendon Rd., London, E.C.1, England.

The Bulli District Hospital Medical Fund is donating \$2 to the best South Coast under-18 player at all home matches. The first winner was T. VANGELOVITCH, against St. George, last Sunday.

ALBERT DE PAOLI has lost nothing of his goal-scoring prowess. The Western Suburbs president scored four

goals in a veterans' match against Auburn "old boys" at Mona Park last Sunday. Auburn, however, were successful in the Gala Day's under-8, under-13 and ladies' matches.

FILMS of the England v. Scotland and Manchester City v. West Ham matches will be shown at 7.30 p.m. at the St. George-Budapest clubhouse at Mortdale this Thursday, June 27.

MICHAEL DOBBIN, Manly's forward from New Guinea, was 21 years old last Saturday. He celebrated his birthday at the Marconi club.

NZ TOUR

The NSW Amateur Association under-16 team will play eight games on its forthcoming tour of New Zealand's South Island.

The party of 17 players, two managers (Bruce Pleasant and Dave Childs) and a coach, will leave Sydney on August 23 and return on September 8.

Representative teams from Sydney, Hunter Valley, Northern, Western and Southern NSW are setting dates for their matches, which will be conducted as tour trials.

Players from every division of amateur football throughout all of the State will have the opportunity to impress the selectors.

The tour itinerary has been approved by the New Zealand Football Association and the Australian Soccer Federation.

NSW under-16 last toured New Zealand in 1960.

Since then NZ has toured NSW to play against High School and Amateur XI's, and NSW CHS has toured the North Island.

The 1968 fixtures will be: Sat. Aug. 24 v. Canterbury at Christchurch, Mon. Aug. 26 v. Marlborough at Marlborough, Tues. Aug. 27 v. Nelson at Nelson, Thurs. Aug. 29 v. West Coast at Greymouth, Mon. Sept. 2 v. Southland at Invercargill, Wed. Sept. 4 v. Otago at Dunedin, Fri. Sept. 6 v. South Canterbury at Timaru, Sat. Sept. 7 v. South Island at Christchurch.

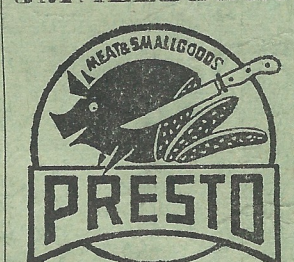
Foot-tennis

Only two matches were played in the foot-tennis series sponsored by St. George-Budapest last Monday.

Zuckerman-Schauman beat Manuel-Parkhouse 21-11, 21-16 and Wesely-Schwarz defeated Taylor-Longmuir 21-15, 21-17.

The draw for next Monday is: Sambrook-Ackerley v. Tamand-Sagi; Yaager-Watkins v. Hadley-Jagger; Hewitt-Woods v. Barnett-Gardiner; Jones-Edwards v. Venglos-M. Lising; Corry-Williamson v. Lang-Rafanelli and Bosklopper-Apostilidis v. Hegyes-Geoff Warren.

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CARDIFF MAY STRUGGLE AGAIN DESPITE THREATS

— By LOU GAUTIER —

Manager Jim Scoular's provocative statements notwithstanding, Cardiff City will be hard pressed to achieve the clear-cut victory they are reportedly seeking against NSW on Wednesday night.

Hell-bent on proving their detractors wrong, Cardiff City are intent on crushing NSW to avenge the 1-1 draw forced on them by the locals last Sunday week.

Though they achieved a 6-0 win over Victoria one week ago after also conceding a 1-1 draw in their first encounter, a repetition is unlikely tonight.

Scoular believes it would be a miracle if an Australian team held Cardiff to a draw in a competition match in Britain.



DAVE JOHNSTON (NSW)

I don't believe in miracles either.

And it would take a whacking miracle for the Second Division team to slam in six goals against NSW.

Like most people, I'm prepared to concede that Cardiff can play much better

than last Sunday week — they'd want to — but I truly doubt whether they could ever score a crushing win over any NSW team, including our top club sides.

Cardiff say they're fighting mad and will take the field to thrash NSW, by 10 goals if possible.

BRAVE WORDS

Brave words, indeed. I'm anything but convinced that Cardiff were taking it easy last Sunday week.

The worried looks, groans, grunts and agitation of their reserves and officials on the bench certainly didn't suggest a picnic atmosphere.

Make no mistake: if Cardiff didn't win the match it was because they couldn't. It's as simple as that.

They expected a real busman's holiday in Australia, with easy wins thrown in for good measure, and when this didn't eventuate they didn't like it one bit.

Instead of being intimidated or over-awed by Cardiff's angry noises, the NSW team should welcome them and take them as a compliment.

I truly hope Cardiff really mean business tonight because if they don't win convincingly they won't have any excuses to offer, unless, of course, the ground is again a "potato patch" and the referee "shocking."

Cardiff will again come up

against a packed NSW defence.

NSW have no choice — an open, attacking game would be suicidal, with our perennial lack of classy forwards.



DON MURRAY (Cardiff City)

This is the way NSW operated against Manchester United, yet this didn't prevent United from turning on the most attractive, enjoyable football ever seen in Australia.

IMPROVED ATTACK?

Cardiff manager Scoular is reported to have blamed NSW for not providing a spectacle in the first match because they played eight men in defence.

The plain truth is that Cardiff are nowhere near

Manchester United in sheer class, otherwise they would have been able to outmanoeuvre any opposing system.

Despite the reshuffle of the NSW attack, don't expect any spectacular improvement in NSW's forward play tonight.

We just don't have the forwards capable of moulding into a smooth, efficient unit with such limited preparation.

FULL-BLOODED

The NSW defence will carry our hopes for the respectable result I am confident we'll achieve despite Cardiff's fighting words.

It may be too optimistic to hope for another draw against the fighting Welsh, but I would be very surprised if Cardiff, even at their very best, score more than three goals to our solid defence.



LARRY ARMYTAGE (NSW)

If NSW stick to the task, which may be a formidable one tonight, give as much as they take and refuse to be bluffed, then tonight's "needle" match could rank amongst the most exciting, full-blooded internationals ever staged in Sydney.

Bayutti's warning

NSW president Jim Bayutti has disassociated the NSW Federation from Press reports that tonight's international is a "grudge match."

"As far as the NSW Federation is concerned," Bayutti said, "this is just another international match."

"I hope the match will be played in the true sporting spirit one associates with international football whose main objective is to foster international relations, not inflame them."

"I have warned both team managers to instruct their players to perform in the right spirit. Open warfare will not be tolerated," Bayutti added.

CARDIFF CITY SCOREBOARD

- v. Victoria 1-1
- v. Tasmania 5-1
- v. North NSW 2-0
- v. NSW 1-1
- v. Victoria 6-0
- v. Queensland 7-2

LIKELY TEAMS

N.S.W.

CORRY
JOHNSTON
ACKERLEY
SCHAEFER
MARNOCH
WESTWATER
BLITZ
SMITH
SCHEINFLUG
BAARTZ
ARMYTAGE

CARDIFF CITY

1. DAVIES
2. CARVER
3. FERGUSON
4. CLARKE
5. MURRAY
6. HARRIS
7. JONES
8. CLARK
9. KING
10. TOSHACK
11. BIRD

Referee: H. PARSONS

Letters to the Editor

FEDERATION PRESIDENT ENDORSES STATEMENTS

I must congratulate Paul Dean for his outstanding article last week on soccer's modern European trends.

I feel he has hit the nail on the head: we in Australia are behind world standards mainly in our preparations and tactical development.

I have said it myself many a time that in order to progress, we must re-think what modern football is all about. It is imperative that clubs and coaches realise this and act on it.

In Australia we have coaches good, mediocre and bad — just like anywhere else.

I think we should send our best, annually if necessary, on study tours of Europe to see and learn everything they can.

This investment would reap rich harvests in years to come.

If we don't do this — and if we don't believe Paul Dean and others who keep telling us about our stuck-in-the mud attitudes — even the Asians will leave us behind.

Finally, I must say that Paul Dean's article, in my opinion, was written in good faith, aiming to help Australian soccer and not intended to hurt or belittle anybody.

I can only hope that my remarks will be taken in the same spirit.

Jim Bayutti,
President,
NSW Federation.

UNCOMMON JUSTICE ?

I was rather bewildered to see that the P and D Committee handed out a three-week suspension to Les Schauman last week.

Schauman was charged with ungentlemanly conduct, with disputing the referee's decision and probably with hamstringing.

He might well have been guilty of all three. I do know he has been guilty of atrocious sub-standard football ever since his celebrated return from South Africa.

But that's beside the point. What I will never understand is, how can somebody be given three weeks suspension as first offender (after all, he hadn't even been in Australia between 1964 and

1968) on charges of this nature?

Recently a player was sent off for a vicious foul — and got away with a caution.

A couple of weeks later the same player was again sent off — for the same reason — and received a one-week suspension.

So a player gets three weeks for having a big mouth and another gets an average of three and a half days for vicious play which may cripple an opponent.

I emphasise that I hold no brief for Schauman; I don't give a damn whether he retires or not, as reported in the press.

But what I do give a damn about is that our P and D Committee is so obviously swayed by likes and dislikes and can so sharply depart from what one likes to call common justice.

H. Prowse,
Brighton-le-Sands.

ANYONE FOR BROKEN HILL ?

This year we will be staging our big soccer carnival with a cash prize of \$150 and Shelley's Cup for the winner and \$100 to the runners-up.

A cordial invitation is extended to all NSW clubs to take part.

The entry fee is \$5.00

The competition is open to all affiliated clubs and will be conducted on September 1.

Preliminary matches will be played on Sunday morning and the finals in the afternoon.

Length of time for the games will depend on the number of teams participating.

Last carnival matches were of 20 minutes each way duration and the final was 30 minutes.

The last carnival was an outstanding success and it is confidently expected that it will be even more successful this year.

Visiting teams are required to pay their own expenses, but entertainment on a lavish scale will be provided by our Federation.

R. Alagich,
Secretary,
Broken Hill Federation.

STUDENTS WILL FACE UNITED

Even Argentinians were surprised when Estudiantes de La Plata won the recent South American Champions' Cup.

Estudiantes defeated highly-rated Palmeiras of Sao Paulo (Brazil) seven weeks ago to win the right to meet European Cup winners Manchester United in the Intercontinental Cup final in September.

No one in Argentina had any faith in the team when the marathon South American series got under way seven months ago.

For a start, Estudiantes are not based in Buenos Aires, the undisputed hub of the country's soccer until now.

They hail from La Plata, a town 70 miles out of Buenos Aires on the estuary of the River Plate, looking towards neighbouring Uruguay over the bay.

Estudiantes, as their name implies, started off as a university team ("estudiantes" means students in Spanish) and even today most of their players hold liberal professions or are students.

They are rated the most "intellectual" side in South America and can boast two doctors, a dentist, a lawyer and five students in the first team.

Until four years ago the team was one of the "also-rans" in the competition, a

long way behind the big clubs of Buenos Aires — Independiente, Racing, San Lorenzo, Boca Juniors and River Plate.

Languishing at the bottom of the table, the management turned to coach Oswaldo Zubeldia in 1964, and the transformation has been remarkable.

Zubeldia, a former national team manager, spent six months in Europe before taking Estudiantes over.

He admits openly he copied his methods from England and the Continent.

Estudiantes, thanks to Zubeldia, play more like a European team than a typical Latin side.

Their collective outlook is the best in South America, every player pulls his weight, and there are no "prima donnas" in the team.

Zubeldia, a fitness fanatic, has his players at the peak of physical condition, and unlike many other South Americans, they never fold up and keep running for 90 minutes.

It was undoubtedly their stamina which enabled them to defeat the technically superior Palmeiras and Racing Buenos Aires in the

South American Champions' Cup.

Estudiantes are given a 50-50 chance of winning the unofficial world club championship though the deciding match, in the event of a play-off being necessary, will be played in Europe this year.

Their style will fit in well with Manchester United's.

According to European experts, who have seen Estudiantes in action, they will not be hustled off their feet by any vigorous play.

Without being vicious, they can give as much as they take, and their speed is the equal of United's.

This is the Estudiantes squad which will take on Manchester United:

Goalkeeper: Poletti.
Right-back: Fucceneco.
Left-back: Malbernati.
Stoppers: Aguirre Suarez, Madero.

Halves: Bilardo, Patchame.

Right-winger: Ribaldo.

Centre-forwards: Cornigliaro, Flores.

Left-winger: Veron.

Reserves: Gabriel, Flores, Manera (goalies); Medina, Spadaro (fullbacks); Burale, Togneri (halves); Echecopar, Bedogni, Lavesi (forwards).

FLOTTA LAURO

SYDNEY RESULTS AND DETAILS

RESULTS & SCORERS

HOW THEY LINED UP

SUMMING UP THE MATCHES

COACHES COMMENT

Prague

1 (1)
Blacker 42 min.

Polonia

0 (0)

Melita E.

3 (1)
Thorne 37 min., Smith 52 and 80 mins.

Manly

3 (3)
Harris 26 min., Hughes 28 min., Nutt 34 min.

A.P.I.A.

1 (0)
Hughes 71 min.

Yugal

3 (1)
Edwards 45 min., J. Alagich 48 and 60 mins.

Croatia

0 (0)

P. Hellenic

3 (0)
Petrou 4 and 59 mins., Kakakios 70 min.

Sth. Coast

0 (0)

St. George

1 (0)
Cliss 46 min. (penalty).

Hakoah

3 (1)
Barnett 43 and 62 mins., Watkiss 76 min.

Canterbury

1 (1)
Hood 26 min.

King 4; Harcombe 4; Tracey 4; Blacker 4; Zeman 4; Blanco 3 (replaced Molnar 24 min.); Gauto 3; G. Manuel 2; Scheinflug 3; Hoggart 4; Armytage 4.

TOTAL: 39

Coach: J. Venglos

Fraser 4; Filok 3; Skiba 4; Kulak 4; Dzalach 4; Komoder 4; Povey 3; Minol 3; Adamson 2; Krawiarz 3; Swoboda 2 (Calphy 2).

TOTAL: 36

Coach: G. Azzopardi

Eaton 3; Bankhead 4; De Bruin 4; Robinson 3; Hewlett 4; Duffy 4; Nemet 2 (Smith 4); Goldie 5; Azzopardi 3; Thorne 4; Wollowoczky 3.

TOTAL: 39

Coach: J. Vlasits.

Tuinman 5; Mc Grath 4; Brooks 3; Jagger 3; Campbell 4; Jones 4; Nutt 3; Hughes 4; Henry 2; Harris 4; Waller 3.

TOTAL: 39

Coach: D. Adrigan

Taylor 3; Van Blerk 3; Ackerley 2; Hughes 4; Sambrook 4; Bottalico 3; McKinnon 3; Campana 4; Giacometti 3; Campbell (sent off 16th min.); Sileoni 2.

TOTAL: 31

Coach: A. Iglesias.

Ljubic 4; Pacanin 4; Crnich 5; Lang 4; Banicevic 5; Rafaneli 4; J. Alagich 5; M Alagich 2; Halpin 2; Edwards 3; Volar 2 (injured).

TOTAL: 40

Coach: F. Dunaj

Corry 3; Lincoln 4; Sloan 3; Clark 4; Shepherd 3; Wright 3; Reynolds 4; Page 3; Giles 4; R. Cush 3; Frakes 2 (F. Cush 2).

TOTAL: 36

Coach: W. Vrolyks.

Clarke 4; Johnston 4; Hignett 3; McCulloch 3; Cole 4; Westwater 3; Karyannis 3; Petrou 4; Blitz 4; Smith 4; Kakakios 4.

TOTAL: 40

Coach: W. Tamandl

Astill 3; Barnes 3; Cuthbert 4; Anderson 5; Tolson 5; Davies 3; Beattie 2; Beard 2; McGarry 4; Alston 2; Paterson 2.

TOTAL: 35

Coach: J. Kelly.

Haffey 5; Nuttall 3; Hillary 3; Schaefer 5; Morgan 4; Zuckerman 3; Harris 2; Warren 3; Sandell 2; Cliss 3; McCue 2.

TOTAL: 36

Coach: G. Polgar.

Fuzes 3; Stewart 3; Hillsdon 4; Watkiss 3; Marnoch 4; Yaager 4; Edmunds 3; Fekete 4; Barnett 4; Baartz 3; Jones 4.

TOTAL: 39

Coach: D. Holden.

Demopoulos 3; Whitehead 3; Hardy 3; Stridelis 3; Taylor 3 (Kauz 3); Romanos 3; Galbraith 4; Rinos 3; Hood 4; Paxinos 3; Hillhouse 4.

TOTAL: 36

Coach: H. Ninaus.

Match rating: * * *

A hard fought, often very rough match. Prague controlled almost from start to finish despite their narrow win. Polonia concentrated solely on defence, even when they were trailing. Apart from the first 20 minutes, little was seen of the Polonia attack. Playing the more fluid, fluent football, Prague produced delightful stuff in patches, but their finishing was again poor. A better display from young Manuel, who missed two absolute "sitters" would certainly have resulted in a more convincing Prague victory. Both teams were first rate in defence and stood on no ceremony, but the defences' task was made easy by the lack of punch among the forwards. Polonia were so inefficient in this department that Prague goalie King was only tested twice.

Crowd: 1,860.

Referee: H. Parsons.

— LOU GAUTIER

Match rating: * * * *

This duel between the bottom teams was a typical do-or-die encounter which provided plenty of thrills and excitement. In an eight-minute spell midway in the first half Manly rocked the Eagles when they found the net three times to surprise even themselves. Until then Melita had hammered the Manly goal mercilessly, but an outstanding display by keeper Tuinman, coupled with pathetic shooting, prevented any score. When Manly looked set for a runaway win, and with Melita's defence completely stunned, the seashiders made the mistake of retreating into defence. This allowed Melita to take complete control of the game, and it was sheer luck that Manly even salvaged a point. With a sharper forward line Melita could have won by a big margin.

Crowd: 1,200.

Referee: A. Faraone.

— CHARLES SPITERI

Match rating: * * *

There was far too much spitefulness and downright violence to make this an enjoyable match. There was plenty of excitement, alright, but the wrong kind. The rough stuff started early with a couple of players from the two teams very lucky not to receive their marching orders before and after Campbell's expulsion. Playing an intelligent defensive game, based on rapid breakaways and tight marking, Yugal outsmarted their more forceful, but over-vigorous opponents. Despite the hostile surroundings, Yugal never lost their heads under pressure and scored two brilliant goals through Joe Alagich, whose pace proved too much for an abnormally agitated Ackerley, whose steady influence was sorely missed in APIA's defence.

Crowd: 3,648.

Referee: L. Rae.

— LOU GAUTIER

Match rating: * * * *

Pan Hellenic hit top form again, and sent their fans into chants of ecstasy with some lively, penetrative attacking football. Pan Hellenic went into attack straight from the kick-off, forcing Croatia on the defensive. This was to remain the pattern of the match for long periods, Croatia only relying on breakaways to worry the Pan Hellenic goal. Croatia were often dangerous and played well too, but they lacked Pan Hellenic's dynamism in attack. Pan Hellenic's faith in teenage forwards Petrou and Kakakios was justified, both youngsters scoring their three goals, combining beautifully and infusing much-needed new blood and imagination into a jaded forward-line.

Crowd: 6,301.

Referee: J. Henkelman.

— EDDIE EVANS

Match rating: * * *

Both teams performed well below par. The forward play was pathetic and it was left to a penalty to bring the only goal of the match, and even then Cliss only netted from the rebound off Astill. The game was marred by some puzzling decisions from referee Buchanan, who was booed off the field. The defences were well on top on both sides, with Haffey at his best and Schaefer a tower of strength for Saints. Tolson and Anderson stood out for United. Tolson was moved up into attack in the dying stages, was put clear by McGarry and drew Haffey out of position, but he slipped the ball wide of the empty goal to complete the final blow for South Coast.

Crowd: 3,403.

Referee: M. Buchanan.

— LEN SIMMONS

Match rating: * * *

Although Hakoah were impeccably decked out in a bottle green and white outfit with goalie Fuzes sporting a crimson cap to contrast with his wattle yellow jersey and looked the ultimate in football style, the Canterbury terriers dominated the first 40 minutes. Tactically, they had outside right Galbraith policing the midfield, and their defenders were ready to quickly charge down any shots that Hakoah could muster. Hood's goal from outside the corner of the box was a thunderous shot. The inevitable happened after half-time, and Hakoah developed enough power to run out easy winners, with Barnett heading his forward-line.

Crowd: 1,842.

Referee: G. Naylor.

— KEITH GILMOUR

Joe Venglos: "I believe we cannot have better football until this rough stuff is stopped. We could have had four players unnecessarily injured for next week. No one gains from this sort of conduct."

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George Azzopardi: "We can play much better, especially in attack. Prague were allowed too much room to move."

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Joe Vlasits: "Except for that 10-minute lapse in the first half, the team played well and the forwards had their best game so far. We attacked for 80 per cent of the game, but were unlucky."

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Denes Adrigan: "The first half was Manly's and the second half was all Melita. I think a draw was a fair result, despite some queer refereeing decisions."

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Adauto Iglesias: "APIA lost its chance when Campbell was sent off, rather harshly, I thought. Yugal's M. Alagich certainly deserved the same fate. With a full team we would have done much better."

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Ferdo Dunaj: "The players followed my instructions beautifully. We left the midfield to APIA, packed our defence and mounted fast breakaways which paid handsome dividends."

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Bill Vrolyks: "We played good football, but Pan Hellenic took their chances better and scored the all-important goals. We had seven local-born players in our team. I was very pleased with them, especially the way they fought right to the end."

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Walter Tamandl: "Pan Hellenic, I thought, was always a three-goal better team. Croatia had their chances, but missed them, but we also missed a few ones. I'm very pleased the way our two kids played. They did all that was asked of them."

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Jim Kelly: "We just can't afford to miss so many goals and give silly ones away. We should have had the game well sewn up in the first half when several of our misses were incredible."

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Cyula Polgar: "It was a very hard game and it was only a spirited effort in the second half which earned us the two points. Our defence was outstanding throughout."

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Doug Holden: "We took a while to settle, due to team changes and the big-hearted stand of the Canterbury boys. The second half saw a much better display of our teamwork. Barnett had a good match."

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Herbert Ninaus: "I was not happy that our tactical plan was not followed. I will get down to tints about this with the team on Tuesday night."

SURPRISE RESULTS LIKELY THIS WEEK

— By LOU GAUTIER —

This weekend's round could bring further changes in all sections of a First Division table, which last week for the first time started to string out.

Pan Hellenic, on paper at least, look like the only clear-cut favorite of the round.

Every other match could go either way, though it would surprise to see Hakoah lose their long unbeaten record.

Yugal-Prague on Saturday; St. George-APIA and Hakoah-Croatia on Sunday, will be the focus of most attention this weekend.

Our previews:

Yugal v. Prague

Yugal's splendid win over APIA and Prague's prominent placing on the table makes this the match of the round.

Yugal were seen at their best at Lambert Park where they weathered trying conditions to beat APIA for the second time this year.

Prague, against the hard-tackling Polonia, proved they are no "softies" and capable of giving as much as they take.

There should be no need for strong-arm tactics on Saturday because both teams favor the short-passing, open game with little, or no emphasis on body contact.

Yugal on current form are a match for any team and must go into this game with a solid chance.

This could easily go either way, perhaps end in a just draw, but we'll put our neck on the chopping-block and give Prague the nod because their superior team-work may

be the deciding factor since nothing separates the teams talent-wise.

Canterbury v. South Coast

Once again in the "death seat", the Berries need a big shake-up at all levels to lift themselves out of the depths of the competition table.

The only time they occupied last place on the table — three weeks ago — they reacted immediately by snatching a point from Croatia, quickly vacating the wooden-spoon.

Don't be surprised if the same thing occurs this weekend, not because Canterbury will improve overnight, but because their opponents, South Coast, are also now in the depths of despair.

United seem to have gone to pieces and the myth of their home invincibility has been well and truly shattered.

Their forward-line, so potent not so long ago, has lost its zip and sting since the ill-fated McGarry affair.

United's impotence in attack, and their shocking record in Sydney, augurs well for the ailing Berries, who will start slight favorites at Arlington.

The best the visitors can hope for, we feel, is a draw, but Gerry Hood, now in his best goalscoring vein, is likely to spearhead the Berries to a desperately sought victory and give Herbert Ninaus his first success as a coach.

provide a good test to Polonia's current possibilities.

Melita fought back gamely last week to make up a three-goal deficit. Their attack fired on all cylinders at long last, but their usually sound defence crumbled against very ordinary opposition.

Polonia have an excellent record against the Eagles, who still have to beat them.

We expect Polonia to keep their impressive record against Melita on Sunday.

Their defence should be too strong, and in attack the clever ball control of Minol and Krawiarz may give the team a slight edge.

Don't expect many goals. This should be a closely fought, defence-orientated match which could be decided by the odd goal, Polonia's way, or end in a scoreless draw.

Manly v. Pan Hellenic

Manly again served notice last week they intend to fight tooth and nail to avoid relegation, while at the top of the ladder Pan Hellenic confounded the critics who predicted their demise.

Despite the 12 points which separate the teams on the table, Pan Hellenic won't have a picnic by the sea on Sunday.

Manly have excelled themselves at their last outings at Graham Reserve, and with Canterbury likely to collect at least one point on Saturday, the locals will fight for dear life.

Pan Hellenic must, naturally, be favored to come away with the two points, but they will have to play with the same enterprising spirit and dash which overwhelmed Croatia.

Youngsters Kakakios and Petrou are the new darlings of the Pan Hellenic fans. They have injected a breath of fresh air into the team.

ROUND 14

Together with Blitz, Smith and Karyannis, they form a fast-moving combination which may leave their opponents flat-footed.

Manly, as always, will run the full 90 minutes and keep their opponents on their toes.

The rejuvenated, exuberant visitors, however, should have too much strength all-round for the largely inexperienced seariders and are unlikely to fall into the same error as APIA, held to a shock draw at Manly four weeks ago.

St. George v. APIA

St. George's heartening win at Woonona should ensure a large crowd at Hurstville Oval, APIA's demise against Yugal notwithstanding.

The win against South Coast may act as a tonic to the ailing Saints and inject much-needed confidence into a team whose loss of form this season has mystified every soccer fan.

APIA, seen as Hakoah's greatest threat in the second round, seem to have abdicated the title which was theirs for the past two seasons.

APIA, though handicapped by the early loss of Campbell, only have themselves to blame for last weekend's fiasco.

Had they played the football they are still very much capable of instead of engaging in private feuds with their opponents throughout most of the match, they would certainly have fared better.

St. George still have to confirm their improvement. Manly, after all, also came away from the Coast with the two points, and a win at Woonona is no longer any criterion.

APIA, we feel, may be too drastic a test for the con-valescing St. George.

Still weak in attack, they will find it hard to pierce the APIA defence where Ackersley is unlikely to ever play as badly as against Yugal.

APIA should come out on top, but all eyes will be on St. George to see whether they are at last on the road back to bigger, better things.

Hakoah v. Croatia

Sitting pretty on the top of the table, Hakoah radiate all the serenity of a solid competition leader which will take some beating to topple.

Croatia only three weeks ago may have been the team to end Hakoah's glorious 10-month unbeaten run, but they've slumped in their last two outings.

The match is even more important for Croatia since another defeat would almost certainly put paid to their semifinal ambitions.

After a bright spell of open, attacking football, Croatia seem to have crept back into their defensive shell.

These tactics, if repeated, would suit Hakoah to the ground because they have the superior defence and could safely expect to keep a clean slate.

A full-strength Croatia — and they were again badly depleted last weekend — could prove a handful for the leaders if they opened up in attack.

As things stand, however, Hakoah's invincibility in defence and the rapier-like trusts of Barnett and Baartz should ensure they retain their three-point lead on top.

Croatia cannot be dismissed as they invariably perform well against Hakoah, but on current form they'll be hard pressed to return to the winning list on Sunday.

YUGAL

LJUSIC
PACANIN
CRNICH
LANG
BANICEVIC
RAFANELI
J. ALAGICH
M. ALAGICH
HALPIN
EDWARDS
VOLAR

PRAGUE

KING
HARCOMBE
TRACEY
BLACKER
ZEMAN
MOLNAR
GAUTO
MANUEL
SCHEINFLUG
HOGGART
ARMYTAGE

CANTERBURY

DEMOPOULOS
WHITEHEAD
HARDY
STRIDELIS
TAYLOR
ROMANOS
GALBRAITH
RINOS
HOOD
PAXINOS
HILLHOUSE

SOUTH COAST

RAMAGE
BARNES
CUTHBERT
ANDERSON
TOLSON
DAVIES
BEATTIE
ALSTON
McGARRY
McGRATH
PATERSON

POLONIA

DREWNIK
FILOK
SKIBA
KULAK
DZIALACH
KOMODER
POVEY
MINOL
ADAMSON
KRAWIARZ
CALPHY

MELITA EAGLES

EATON
BANKHEAD
DE BRUIN
ROBINSON
HEWLETT
DUFFY
SMITH
GOLDIE
THORNE
AZZOPARDI
QUESTED

MANLY

TUINMAN
McGRATH
BROOKS
JAGGER
CAMPELL
JONES
NUTT
HUGHES
HENRY
HARRIS
WALLER

PAN HELLENIC

CLARKE
JOHNSTON
HIGNETT
McCULLOCH
COLE
WESTWATER
KARYANNIS
PETROU
BLITZ
SMITH
KAKAKIOS

ST. GEORGE

HAFFEY
NUTTALL
HILLARY
SCHAEFER
MORGAN
ZUCKERMAN
HARRIS
WARREN
SANDELL
CLISS
FERNANDEZ

APIA

TAYLOR
VAN BLERK
ACKERLEY
HUGHES
SAMBROOK
BOTTALICO
McKINNON
CAMPANA
GIACOMETTI
BLUE
SILEONI

HAKOAH

FUZES
STEWART
HILLSDON
WATKISS
MARNOC
D. YAAGER
EDMUNDS
FEKETE
BARNETT
BAARTZ
JONES

CROATIA

CORRY
LINCOLN
SLOAN
CURRY
SHEPHERD
WRIGHT
REYNOLDS
PAGE
GILES
R. CUSH
F. CUSH

CROWDS

Last weekend's attendance: 18,254.

Average per match: 3,042.

Attendance after 12 rounds: 201,774.

Weekly average attendance: 16,814.

TEAM OF THE WEEK

HAFFEY (St. George)		
JOHNSTON (Pan Hellenic)	BANICEVIC (Yugal)	CRNICH (Yugal)
SCHAEFER (St. George)		JONES (Manly)
GOLDIE (Melita)	BARNETT (Hakoah)	HOGGART (Prague)
J. ALAGICH (Yugal)		JONES (Hakoah)

REFEREES

Yugal v. Prague — A. Boskovic; Canterbury v. SCU — P. Rampley; St. George v. APIA — N. Campbell; Polonia v. Melita Eagles — A.R. Brown; Hakoah v. Croatia — H. Parsons; Manly v. Pan Hellenic — G. Naylor.

LEADING SCORERS

Alston (SCU) 8
Cliss (St. George) 8
Smith (Pan Hellenic) 8
Baartz (Hakoah) 7
R. Cush (Croatia) 7
Edwards (Yugal) 7
J. Karyannis (Pan Hellenic) 7
Krawiarz (Polonia) 7
G. Manuel (Prague) 7
Barnett (Hakoah) 6
Hood (Canterbury) 6
McGarry (SCU) 6

RESULT SCOREBOARD

FIRST DIVISION	APIA	St. George	Croatia	P. Hellenic	Hakoah	Canterbury	Prague	Polonia	Yugal	Melita Eagles	S. Coast Utd.	Manly
APIA	●	1-0	1-0	2-2	5-1	1-3						
St. George		●	1-4	1-1	0-2	1-0	1-3	1-2			1-0	
Croatia	1-1		●	0-3	0-2	2-2	3-1					2-0
Pan Hellenic			2-1	●	3-0	1-4		4-1	2-0	2-0	3-1	
Hakoah				2-0	●	3-1	4-3	0-0				3-1
Canterbury	1-4				1-2	●			0-3	2-1	3-1	
Prague						6-0	●	1-0	3-0	1-0	1-1	
Polonia	1-3	1-0	1-3		2-1	2-2		●	3-1	1-1		
Yugal	3-0	1-0	0-3		1-1				●	0-1	1-1	3-3
Melita Eagles	0-0	2-2	1-2		0-0			1-3		●		3-3
South Coast	3-1	0-1	7-1			7-2			2-0		●	1-2
Manly	3-3	0-3			0-3	1-2	1-2		0-1			●

VITAL STATISTICS

St. George v. APIA 4-5-10

The last time the Saints beat APIA in a championship match was their 4-2 triumph way back in 1965.

However, APIA have been faring rather indifferently away from home (even at home, lately . . .), having collected only an average of one point in their seven outings.

St. George have so far won 99 championship matches since their promotion in 1959 and would dearly love to celebrate a centenary at their headquarters.

Hakoah v. Croatia 7-1-3

Strangely, in their last three encounters where fortunes fluctuated, the losers never managed to score a goal.

In the first round Hakoah scored a clear 2-0 win and this is what the paperform suggests again.

Croatia are nearing the aggregate mark of 100 points in their First Division matches (97 now) and could edge a bit closer to this borderline.

Yugal v. Prague 6-2-5

Yugal have a balanced home record — and so have Prague away from home; all the makings of a draw?

In the first round Prague whipped them 3-0 but even so, Yugal's overall record is better.

Yugal have so far conceded a tantalising 299 goals in the First Division — will this be an incentive for the Prague forwards?

Canterbury v. South Coast 4-1-6

South Coast's first round 7-2 win at Woonona is still vividly remembered at Arlington.

South Coast have yet to win a match in Sydney this season; they have only managed three draws out of six games.

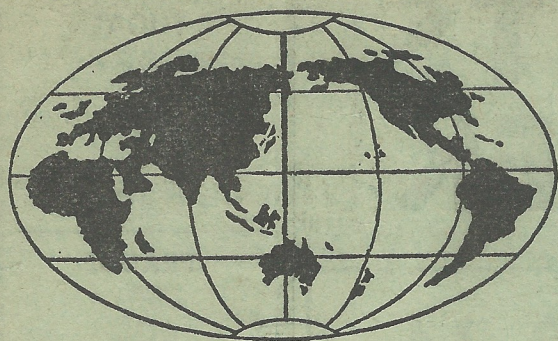
Canterbury's home record is not nearly as appalling as their away figures — so what's the score?

Polonia v. Melita 2-0-1

Both Polonia wins came at away matches. If you add to this that this year Melita have won only twice but never at home, you can't be too sure of a Polonia victory.

Manly v. Pan Hellenic 0-0-1

Pan Hellenic won 3-1 in the first round. Manly haven't yet won a match at home; one draw and six beatings is their record there.



ROUND THE WORLD

English champs humiliated

England's new champions, Manchester City, called off their Mexican tour after conceding three consecutive shock defeats in the United States. City were beaten twice by Atlanta — 3-2 and 2-1 — and were trounced 3-0 by the 1967 American champions, Oakland. Manchester City's only excuse was that they missed Colin Bell and Mike Summerbee on tour. Joe Mercer's charges were also beaten 2-1 by Borussia Dortmund of West Germany in Kansas City in the fourth match of a disastrous US tour.

Changes in Yugoslavia

Some big changes will be made at the Yugoslav FA's Annual General Meeting on July 6. As from next season the First Division will include 18 clubs instead of 16 and there will no longer be any restrictions on players moving abroad. Until now no Yugoslav player under the age of 28 was allowed to transfer to a foreign club.

New Intercontinental Cup dates

Manchester United and Estudiantes de La Plata have agreed to new dates for their Intercontinental Cup tie. The first leg will be played in Argentina on September 25 and the return match at Old Trafford on October 16. Previously the European and South American champions had decided to meet on September 4 and 25.

Losses don't worry Yanks

The North American Soccer League is losing money steadily. At the half-way mark of the League's inaugural season it is estimated that the deficit is \$2 million. By the end of the season this will have certainly doubled. The Americans, however, are not worried. They actually are quite pleased because they expected to show a loss of \$10 million in 1968. The US organisers are confident that by 1970 soccer will be a healthy business proposition in their country.

Russia's "personality cult"

All's not well in the USSR national team, which finished last in the recent European Championship final play-offs. Some players, including Kavazachvili, who toured Australia with Torpedo Moscow in 1965, have sent letters to the Press, criticizing the national team's "personality cult" and the unfair advantages and privileges accorded to certain players like Szabo, Medvin and the now crippled Voronin.

Fair Cities' Cup

The UEFA (European soccer's central governing body) has only accepted 48 clubs in the 1968-69 Fair Cities' Cup. They had to knock back 22 teams. Twenty-six countries will be represented in the competition, which now rates higher than the European Cup-Winners' Cup.

The draw for the first round of the 1968-69 European Champions' Cup and Cup-Winners' Cup will be made on July 10 at Geneva. Teams will again be seeded. Every European country, except Albania — barred from European club football for two seasons — has entered its champion club.

● Talented West German fullback Schnellinger has renewed his contract with AC Milan until June, 1969.

● Dane John Madsen, 30, has left Hibernians of Edinburgh to return to Copenhagen where he will resume his career as an architect.

● Another Dane, Johnny Hansen, his country's "Player of the Year" in 1967, is about to join Borussia Dortmund of Germany.

● FC Nurnberg have cancelled their South American tour. Their players voted unanimously to spend the off-season at home with their families for the first time in four years.

● Celtic suffered a shock 3-2 defeat in Mexico City against Nexaca, not one of the leading Mexican clubs. In Canada, Celtic drew 1-1 with AC Milan before beating the Italians 2-0 in the return match. Gemmell had to return home early during the tour because of groin trouble.

● In Belgium, Antwerp and Olympique Charleroi have been relegated to Second Division.

● Jena failed to notch the East German "double." After winning the championship by a mile, they were beaten 2-1 in the cup final by Union Berlin.

● Fenerbahce won the 1967-68 Turkish Championship. Besiktas were the runners-up and Galatasaray finished third.

● Because of the recent events in France, the interrupted First Division competition will only end on July 5 — five weeks late.

● Brazil completed a double over traditional rivals, Uruguay, in the Rio Branco Cup. After winning 2-0 in Sao Paulo, Brazil scored a 4-0 victory at Rio before setting out for their European tour.

● The French Olympic team will train at Font Romeu, in the French Pyrenees, for eight weeks to get acclimatised to the high altitude before spending a month in Mexico before the start of the Olympic soccer tournament.

Knighthood upsets Scots

The increasingly nationalist-minded Scottish Press had a few harsh words to say about Matt Busby's knighthood. Though Busby is a Scot himself, some Glasgow newspapers claim that Jock Stein should also have been knighted for winning the 1967 European Cup with Celtic. Scottish writers have been saying for years that only Scots who move to England ever gain official recognition.

● When Fulham centre-forward, Allan Clarke, set a new British transfer record by fetching £150,000 by moving to Leicester, he beat the previous British record set by Denis Law, who in July 1962 was transferred from AC Milan to Manchester United for £110,000. Clarke is "only" an English under-23 international.

● West Germany have applied to stage the final of the 1969 European Champions' Cup final at the West Berlin Olympic Stadium.

● Borussia Dortmund, the West German Bundesliga team, opened their United States tour with a 3-1 win over Kansas City in front of 7,375 spectators.

● Vladimir Beara has left his Dutch club, Sittardia. The famous former Yugoslav international goalkeeper has returned to his native Split. He hopes to coach a First Division Yugoslav team next season.

● Gerhard Hanappi (96 caps for Austria) has had a tiff with Rudolf Vytlačil, Rapid Vienna's coach. As a result Hanappi has been barred from his former club's dressing-room.

● Lucerne, the struggling Swiss club, is keen to sign Switzerland's 1967 "Player of the Year," Karl Odermatt, who toured Australia with FC Basel in 1964.

● Sir Matt Busby, soccer's newest knight, last week collected a \$2,500 cheque for his award as England's manager of the year.

● Barcelona have signed 22-year-old Juanito, Cadix' leading goalscorer for the past three seasons.

● Luis Molowny, the former Madrid star, has declined to manage the Spanish national team. Molowny would rather remain at Las Palmas, the surprise team of last season's Spanish First Division.

● Maspoli, the former Uruguay goalkeeper, is the new coach of Elche, the Spanish club Di Stefano managed for six months. Luis Villalonga will coach Atletico Madrid.

● Spartak Sofia won the Bulgarian Cup. They beat Beroe 3-2 in the final. In the championship the issue is far from decided with Levski, CSKA and Lokomotiva Sofia bunched up on top of the ladder.

"World Champions" to meet

Santos and Racing Buenos Aires are planning a special tournament in their respective cities later this year for "World Champion" clubs. Invitations will be issued to Real Madrid, Inter Milan, Penarol and to the winner of Manchester United v. Estudiantes de la Plata in this year's Intercontinental Cup final.

Napoli disappoints

Napoli, who chose to tour South America instead of Australia, have met with little success on the Latin American circuit so far. They drew their first two matches 0-0 with lowly provincial Brazilian clubs and have been very disappointing to date. The highlight of Napoli's tour will be a tournament in Rio in which five leading Rio and Sao Paulo teams will participate.

Ramsey still optimistic

Alf Ramsey was not downhearted at England's failure to win the European Championship. Said the England team manager: "Our third place means nothing. We are still the best team in the world and deserve our tag of world champions. Italy would have finished last anywhere else".

Military Championship

Turkey, Greece, Holland, Spain, Ivory Coast and South Korea are taking part in the finals of the International Military Championship in Irak. Each team will meet each other once and the first two clash in the final on June 30 at Bagdad.

SCOREBOARD

INTERNATIONAL CUP (former Rappan Cup). Group 1: FC Nurnberg v. Anderlecht 2-2, 2-2. **Group 2:** Atletico Madrid v. Torino 2-1. **Group 3:** Dukla Prague v. Rapid Vienna 2-0; Sporting Lisbon v. Dukla Prague 1-1; Rapid v. Sporting Lisbon 3-2; Dukla Prague v. Sporting Lisbon 0-1. **Group 4:** Standard Liege v. St. Etienne 3-3; Standard Liege v. Feyenoord 2-2. **Group 5:** Espanol Barcelona v. Munchen 1860 2-0; FK Austria v. Munchen 1860 1-2. **Group 6:** ADO (Holland) v. Sedan (France) 2-0; ADO v. Lugano 2-0.

FRANCE: Angers v. Nice 1-1; Sochaux v. Valenciennes 3-1; Metz v. Bordeaux 2-0; Sedan v. Red Star 0-0; Monaco v. Nantes 3-0; Lille v. Ajaccio 1-2; Rouen v. Rennes 2-0; Lyon v. Aix 4-3; Marseille v. St. Etienne 2-1. **HUNGARY:** Ujpest v. Dunaujvaros 4-1; Ferencvaros v. Győr 1-1; Csepel v. Honved 1-1; Szombathely v. MTK 0-0; Egyetertes v. Szeged 3-0; Tatabanya v. Vasas 1-2; Salgotarjan v. Diosgyor 1-2; Pecs v. Videoton 2-0. **Table:** Vasas 23; Ujpest 20; Honved, Ferencvaros 19; Csepel 16; Pecs 15. (Vasas are the "Spring champions").

PORTUGAL (Cup final): FC Porto v. Setubal 2-1.

BULGARIA: CSKA v. Levski 0-0; Botev Bourgas v. Lokomotiva Sofia 3-1; Slavia Sofia v. Trakia 2-1; Spartak Sofia v. Slivene 3-2; Lokomotiva Plovdiv v. Botev Vratza 0-0; Miners v. Beroe 1-0; Spartak Plevne v. Maritza 3-1; Cernomore v. Dobroudja 2-2. **Table:** Levski 40; CSKA 39; Lokomotiva Sofia 36; Spartak Sofia 35; Slavia Sofia 30.

RUMANIA: Farul Constantza v. Progresul 2-0; Steaua v. Cluj 1-1; Arges v. Petrolul 1-0; Steagul Rosu v. Rapid 2-1; Dinamo Bucurest v. Mures 5-2; Jirl v. Dinamo Bacau 2-0; Craiova v. Arad 2-0.

SPAIN (Cup semifinals, first leg): Atletico Madrid v. Barcelona 1-0; Celta v. Real Madrid 3-2.



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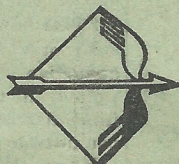
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YOUNG S.A. TEAM WILL FACE WELSH VISITORS

— From ALLAN CRISP in Adelaide —

Win, lose or draw on Saturday at Olympic Sports Field, South Australia will come closer than any other State team to being Cardiff City captain, Brian Harris', "ideal Australian soccer team".

Harris, who toured Australia with Everton in 1964, has been critical of Australia's lack of soccer progress.

"There are still too many imported players," he was reported saying in Sydney.

"It would be a pleasant change to see how Australians play this game."

South Australia have named their youngest State squad ever to confront an overseas touring side for Saturday's game against the Welsh champions.

Nilo Rusalen, 29, who played for SA against Everton, is the only "veteran" in the local squad which was drawn predominantly from the SA Under-23 squad.

Harris shouldn't allow the exotic names of his op-

ponents to delude him into thinking that he is playing against former European internationals.

Bogdan Nyskohus and Henry Kolecki were both born in Australia.

Roger Romanowicz, Wally Fedczyszyn, Joe Baggio, Nick Pantelis, Mitija Marusic, John Perin, Ted De Lyster, Lukas Kouzapa, Ivan Batusic, and Rusalen, learnt their soccer skills in Adelaide.

SA's only true overseas "ring-in" is, in fact, former Crystal Palace forward, Billy Birch.

The SA selectors' youth policy was vindicated when the Under-23 team toppled the Mid-Northern Association 9-1 at Port Pirie.

Following that game, only Rusalen and 21-year old

Kouzapa, were added to the squad which then became the SA senior squad.

Last Sunday, Tony Bat-

chelor was added to the squad as a forward replacement for Geza Farkas who withdrew because of a groin injury.

SA's relative inexperience will be offset by the inclusion of youthful Australian internationals, Romanowicz, and De Lyster and Under-23 international, Perin.

SA team manager, Adrian Deckers, said that his side would not play defensively.

"We may be beaten but at least you will see good soccer," said Deckers.

Probable Line-up:

SA: Romanowicz, Nyskohus, Baggio, Wetton, Rusalen, Kouzapa, Pantelis, Birch, Marusic, Perin, De Lyster. Reserves: Fedczyszyn, Moore, Kolecki, Batchelor.

INTER-STATE SOCCER

VICTORIAN RESULTS

Juventus 1 (Closs) v. Wilhelmina 0; Lions 1 (Aldis) v. Polonia 1 (Gadja); Alexander 3 (Mitzius 2, Margarites) v. Hakoah 1 (Armstrong); Melbourne-HSC 1 (Myers) v. JUST 1 (Handrick); George Cross 3 (McCallum 2, Campbell) v. SM-Hellas 2 (Damainakos, Micic); Croatia 2 (McIntyre, Vojtek) v. Slavia 1 (Jurecki).

VICTORIAN TABLE

Hakoah	7	2	2	22	11	16
George Cross	6	3	2	25	14	15
Hellas	6	3	2	23	14	15
Croatia	6	1	4	14	9	13
Polonia	4	5	2	19	13	13
Alexander	5	2	4	19	12	12
Slavia	4	3	4	15	14	11
Lions	3	4	4	9	12	10
Juventus	3	3	5	14	24	9
Wilhelmina	3	2	6	16	17	8

MELBOURNE PROGRAM

SATURDAY

Hakoah v. JUST at Middle Park, Melbourne v. Lions at St. Kilda, George Cross v. Slavia at Olympic Park.

SUNDAY

Croatia v. Alexander at Olympic Park, Wilhelmina v. SM Hellas at Ringwood, Polonia v. Juventus at Maribyrnong.

ADELAIDE RESULTS

● Juventus 1 (Oliviera) v. Croatia 2 (Mapstone, J. Slager).
● Austria 1 (Artz) v. Victoria 1 (Kieboom, penalty).
● Elizabeth City 0 v. Polonia 1 (Manka).
● Cumberland 1 (Zervas, t.o.g.) v. WA Hellas 6 (Pantelis 4, Batchelor 2).
● USC Lion 1 (Monan) v. Beograd 2 (Besir, Travar).

SA TABLE

WA Hellas	17
USC Lion	14
Polonia	14
Beograd	13
Juventus	12
Croatia	11
Victoria	10
Austria	5
Cumberland	2
Elizabeth	2

INTERSTATE SCORES

NEWCASTLE

Toronto v. Weston 1-2, New Lambton v. Belmont 1-3, Lake Macquarie v. Hamilton 0-3, Newcastle Austral v. West Wallsend 1-0, Wallsend v. Adamstown 2-3.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Second Division: Azzurri v. Campbelltown 2-0, Birkalla v. Para Hills 2-1, Don v. Sturt 0-4, Malta v. Port Adelaide 5-1, Windsor v. Budapest 0-4.

TASMANIA

South: Juventus v. Rapids 4-2, Olympic v. South Hobart 2-2, University v. Croatia 0-0, Eagles v. Calies 2-0.

North (Cup): Olympic v. Devonport 1-2, Rovers v. Juventus 0-3, Launceston United v. Spartans 3-1, Ulverstone v. Saints 2-3.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Cottesloe v. Kiev 1-2, Swan Athletic v. Swan Valley 2-4, Windmills v. Tricolore 2-4, Cracovia v. Olympic 5-0, Azzurri v. Athena 3-2.

WITH THE AMATEURS

SPOTLIGHT SWINGS TO THE FOURTH DIVISION

— By KEITH GILMOUR —

Last week the spotlight swung to the lowly Fourth Division, where Padstow Park upset the hitherto undefeated Campbelltown team 2-1.

Interest in the match was at a pitch, and many supporters came from other clubs to see the game.

They were not disappointed, as the standard was well above normal, and the teams never let up trying until the final whistle.

With 20 minutes to go, and down 1-2, Campbelltown saved a penalty, and Padstow went on to hold their margin to the end.

For the winners, Paul Leonard at centre-half took the honors for the way in which he marshalled his young charges.

Wentworthville picked up a point to join Artarmon at the top of the First Division table in last week-end's games.

Wentworthville gained a 3-0 home win against University of New South Wales.

Artarmon were held to a scoreless draw by Bankstown Thistle at Bankstown Soccer Centre.

Wentworthville won a good tussle, scoring goals through Ray Horder, Richard Webb, and Bert Blinkhorst.

In another First Division game, South Sydney defeated Lidcombe 3-0 at Coleman Park on Sunday.

Souths' first goal came right from the kick-off.

Lidcombe's defence was so flabbergasted that the ball was in the net before any of their players touched it.

Lidcombe suffered some weakness in the forwards, and as a result the game did not reach any great heights at all.

Withdrawal of Smithfield from the Third Division has led to the Federation adjusting the competition table, and the new table appears in our columns.

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION		
Thistle v. Artarmon	0-0	1-1
Belmore v. Blacktown	2-0	3-2
Marrickville v. Ryde	6-1	5-0
Lidcombe v. St. Sydney	0-3	1-3
Concordia v. E'Side-MTK	2-2	2-3
Wenty v. NSW Uni.	3-0	1-1

SECOND DIVISION

Auburn Jun. v. Yagoona	1-0	5-2
Arncliffe v. Gympie	3-0	9-1
Sydney Uni. v. Penrith	2-2	6-0
St. Marys v. Riverside	0-1	4-4
Guildford v. Kewpies	2-0	0-3
Warringah v. Enmore	1-1	2-1

THIRD DIVISION

Gladesville v. Dee Why	4-1	1-3
All Stars v. Revesby	5-0	0-5
Rovers v. Greenacre	4-1	1-4
F'field-Kiev v. West Ryde	1-4	2-1

FOURTH DIVISION

Ku-ring-gai v. Beverly Hills	1-3	4-3
Prospect v. Chelsea	0-1	0-1
P'stow Pk. v. C'town	2-1	2-1
Central Utd. v. Newtown	0-3	4-1

THIS WEEKEND

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

First Division: South Sydney v. Belmore — Booralee Park, Wenty Waratah v. Lidcombe — Jones Park, Artarmon v. Concordia — Artarmon Park.

Second Division: Sydney University v. Guildford — St. Paul's Oval.

Third Division: Revesby Workers v. Gladesville-Hornsby — Bankstown Showground.

Fourth Division: Chelsea v. Ku-ring-gai — Moore Park, Newtown Progressives v. Prospect — Outer Wentworth Park.

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

First Division: Blacktown v. Ryde — Francis Park, East Side MTK v. NSW Uni. — Moore Park, Thistle v. Marrickville — Bankstown Soccer Centre.

Second Division: Yagoona v. St. Marys — O'Neil Park, Riverside v. Kewpies — Mahoney Park, Gympie v. Auburn — Grays Point, Enmore v. Arncliffe — Scots — Mackay Park, Penrith v. Warringah Saints — Jamison Park.

Third Division: Greenacre v. All Stars — Allum Park, Fairfield v. Condell Park — Knights Park.
Fourth Division: Beverly Hills v. Padstow Park, Campbelltown v. Maroubra — Campbelltown Showground, Liverpool Eagles v. Central United — Woodward Park.

Sydney Juniors

Bankstown have taken the lead in the three major grades, but are closely pressed by very ambitious opponents on every front.

The "first four" in each division is still wide open and the next few weeks should produce some stirring clashes as the cream of Sydney youth battles for supreme honors.

RESULTS & TABLES

Under-16: St. George 5 d. Ku-ring-gai 0; Sutherland 3 d. Gladesville 2; Southern Districts 4 d. Canterbury 0; Manly 1 d. Wests 0; Bankstown 3 d. Norths 0.

Under-15: St. George 4 d. Ku-ring-gai 0; Gladesville 4 d. Sutherland 0; Easts 1 d. Nepean 0; Wests 2 d. Manly 0; Bankstown 2 d. Granville 1.

Under-14: St. George 1 drew Ku-ring-gai 1; Sutherland 3 d. Gladesville 1; Canterbury 2 d. Nepean 0; Manly 3 d. Wests 0; Bankstown 4 d. Granville 1.

UNDER-16 DIVISION

Bankstown	10	—	2	41	14	20
St. George	8	2	1	31	5	18
St. George	7	3	2	36	18	17
Canterbury	6	1	4	32	22	13
Sutherland	6	1	5	26	23	13
Norths	3	3	6	11	26	9
Wests	4	—	6	15	18	8
Gladesville	4	—	8	28	40	8
Manly	2	1	9	11	45	5
Ku-ring-gai	1	1	8	8	28	3

UNDER-15 DIVISION

Bankstown	11	1	—	42	11	23
Gladesville	10	1	1	45	12	21
Easts	7	4	1	24	14	18
Wests	6	2	3	22	13	14
Granville	4	2	6	21	26	10
Sutherland	4	2	6	15	28	10
St. George	4	1	7	24	41	9
Manly	2	3	7	11	20	7
Nepean	2	1	9	12	27	5
Ku-ring-gai	1	1	10	4	28	1

UNDER-14 DIVISION

Bankstown	11	—	1	81	9	22
Sutherland	10	1	1	48	12	21
Gladesville	8	—	4	46	15	16
Manly	7	1	3	33	12	15
Canterbury	4	3	4	14	32	11
Granville	3	2	6	14	40	8
Wests	2	3	5	7	20	7
St. George	2	2	8	20	49	6
Nepean	2	2	8	19	45	6
Ku-ring-gai	—	2	9	9	51	2

VICTORIA COPS 6-0 THRASHING

Cardiff thrashed Victoria 6-0 last Wednesday week before a very small crowd of less than 4,000 spectators.

The Victorians were never in the race and were outclassed by the much-improved visitors from start to finish.

Victoria: Schroif, Keith, Cook, Randles, Van Alphen, Tzenos, Gadecki (Vojtek), Abonyi, McMeachan (Norman), Micic, Armour.

Cardiff: Davies, Carver, Ferguson, Dean, Murray, Harris, Jones, Lea, King, B. Clark, Bird.

Referee: Geoff Harrison. Attendance: 3,800.

FOUND

A complete set of soccer gear has been found at the City Markets (boots, black and white shirts, white shorts and white socks). If you ring R. Jack at 76-5745 (business) or 649-5669 (private) and identify the bag which contained the equipment, you can collect it immediately.

SIX IN RACE FOR VIC. TITLE

— From BOB LOW in Melbourne —

The State League program is half-way over with plenty of money being bet that the 1968 title will be won by either Hakoah or South Melbourne Hellas who are stablemates and share the first class amenities at Middle Park.

At the other end of the table few if any would give more than a "dog's chance" that Footscray-JUST, one of the elite and most successful of Victorian teams in the past, will escape the ignominy of the big drop into the First Division.

However, the backers and know-alls can be proved wrong as is often the case.

And with 11 league games still to be played the challenging positions of both Hakoah and Hellas can be made most insecure with such talented sides as Polonia, George Cross, Croatia and Slavia breathing down their necks.

The fact that JUST with a tremendous burst in the second half of 1967 collected 15 points from their last 11 games shows that all is not lost — yet.

Here are my impressions of the leading clubs after watching 22 State League matches this season:

Hakoah: Better than most people care to admit. Look at their points tally and consistency in team line-ups and one cannot but mark them down as having their best chance to win their first-ever State League championship. The fact that recently they acquired two good class forwards from overseas further enhances their prospects.

SM Hellas: KO'd as usual from the Australia Cup and with no success at all as "pot hunters" since they took their place in the State League, the top supported and top paid side in Victorian soccer is in a strong position to challenge for the State League title which they have won four times in the past six years, including a three in a row success in 1964-65 and 66. To boost their chances they badly need a real striker in attack who can profit from

their first-class wing play. George Cross: Winning every local cup competition some several times into the bargain, as well as the Australia Cup in 1964, George Cross have been soccer's bridesmaids in so far as the State League championship is concerned. They have the talent to rectify this in 1968 providing they play their cards right.

Polonia: If they were to win the State League title this year I'm certain it will be by sheer soccer skills and perseverance with more than half a side of locally produced players. I doubt if they will succeed due to the fact that their blend of experience and maturity is not completely balanced with the inexperience and immaturity. Still, unless they suffer a bad relapse, they should be strong contenders for a place in the four and a spot in next year's Australia Cup.

Croatia: After an inauspicious start they pulled themselves quickly back into the reckoning, suffered a relapse, then staged a comeback again to prove they cannot be easily dismissed. If they could show more consistency, especially in attack, few would doubt that they could be well in the running for top honors at the end of the season.

Slavia: As the first Victorian side to win the Australia Cup, in 1963, and with their local cup successes almost on a par with George Cross, they are like the Maltese side looking for their first league title win. Best attempt so far was in 1966 when they finished runners-up to SM Hellas. The mercurial form shown by their in and out attack indicates they may have to fight hard to recover a place in the four which they lost in 1967.

Schroif dropped

Willy Schroif, the former Slovan Bratislava and Czech international 'keeper, was dropped from the Slavia line-up against Croatia.

Presumably his poor showing in the last league game against Hakoah and his under-par display for Victoria in the return game against Cardiff were part of the reason for his omission from the team.

But recently, relieved of the coaching position by Slavia, there could be more in it than meets the eye, and Schroif's future with the Port Melbourne side until he returns to Czechoslovakia at the end of the season seems in doubt.

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George Cross introduced a newcomer into their attack after their game was in motion against Hellas.

He was John Gardiner, an inside-forward from Dundee who replaced Don Hodgson.

Gardiner has had professional experience in England with Peterborough and with East Fife in Scotland.

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CARDIFF WINS 7-2

A crowd of 9,000 in Brisbane last Sunday saw Cardiff City completely outclass a courageous, but largely unskilled Queensland side.

Cardiff won 7-2 in a breeze, with goals from Lea (2), B. Clark (2), Bird (2) and Toshack.

Queensland's lone scorer was Ray Richards, who notched both goals.

Richards gave a great display and did not pale in comparison with the visitors.

Gary Wilkins, also an Australian international, had a good match.

Both he and Richards are wasted in Queensland's mediocre soccer set-up and would gain immensely if they moved South.

Competition Tables FIRST DIVISION

GRADE II.	W	D	L	F	A	P
Prague	10	—	2	36	9	20
APIA	9	2	1	33	12	20
SCU	9	—	3	40	18	18
St. George	7	—	5	25	21	14
Hakoah	6	1	5	22	10	13
Croatia	5	3	4	15	23	13
Melita Eagles	6	—	6	31	25	12
Pan Hellenic	5	—	7	19	20	10
Polonia	3	3	6	22	31	9
Canterbury	4	1	7	15	33	9
Manly	2	—	10	14	35	4
Yugal	1	—	11	6	36	2

GRADE III.	W	D	L	F	A	P
Croatia	9	2	1	28	9	20
Prague	8	1	3	26	16	17
St. George	8	1	3	22	17	17
Canterbury	6	3	3	22	19	15
SCU	6	2	4	28	15	14
Pan Hellenic	5	4	3	11	9	14
Yugal	4	5	3	20	18	13
Hakoah	5	2	5	21	19	12
Melita Eagles	3	2	7	23	31	8
APIA	3	1	8	14	23	7
Manly	1	2	9	11	31	4
Polonia	1	1	10	13	30	3

SECOND DIVISION

GRADE I.	W	D	L	F	A	P
Auburn	10	1	1	33	12	21
Bankstown	10	1	1	35	13	21
Western Subs.	8	1	3	34	17	17
Sutherland	7	2	3	22	20	16
Marconi	6	3	4	24	13	15
Balgownie	4	4	5	22	18	12
Granville	5	2	6	27	32	12
N. Bankstown	4	2	7	21	33	10
NS-Inter	4	2	6	16	31	10
Corinthians	3	1	8	14	27	7
Lane Cove	2	—	10	16	34	4
Hornsby-NE	1	1	10	22	37	3

GRADE II.	W	D	L	F	A	P
Western Subs.	11	—	1	40	5	23
Balgownie	10	—	3	38	13	20
Bankstown	9	1	2	47	14	19
Marconi	8	2	3	23	13	18
Sutherland	7	1	4	34	20	15
Auburn	5	4	3	29	18	14
Hornsby-NE	6	1	5	21	24	13
Granville	4	—	9	26	39	8
Lane Cove	4	—	8	12	46	8
N. Bankstown	1	3	9	14	33	5
Corinthians	1	2	9	10	32	4
NS-Inter	—	1	11	15	49	1

GRADE III.	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bankstown	11	—	1	53	9	22
Western Subs.	10	1	1	58	9	21
N. Bankstown	9	2	2	30	14	20
Sutherland	8	3	1	52	17	19
Granville	7	2	4	37	29	16
Balgownie	5	2	6	20	23	12
Auburn	5	—	7	31	30	10
Hornsby-NE	4	1	7	18	22	9
Lane Cove	3	1	8	21	37	7
NS-Inter	2	1	9	18	41	5
Marconi	2	—	11	9	44	4
Corinthians	1	1	10	11	82	3

INTER-SUBURBAN

FIRST DIVISION	W	D	L	F	A	P
Artarmon	6	7	—	28	10	19
Wentley	9	1	3	38	14	19
Thistle	7	2	4	32	18	16
Marrickville	6	4	3	36	20	16
Concordia	6	3	4	23	21	15
Belmore	4	6	3	24	24	14
South Sydney	5	2	4	16	15	12
Eastside-MTK	4	1	7	20	28	9
Unif. NSW	3	3	5	16	24	9
Blacktown	4	1	8	21	40	9
Lidcombe	3	1	8	14	30	7
Ryde	1	2	8	9	29	4

SECOND DIVISION	W	D	L	F	A	P
Guildford	11	—	2	40	10	22
Enmore	9	2	2	44	14	20
Riverside	10	—	3	35	23	20
Warringah	8	3	2	42	16	19
Yagoona	8	2	3	23	17	18
St. Marys	6	1	5	34	33	13
Auburn	5	—	8	21	32	10
Sydney Uni.	2	4	7	21	33	8
Arncliffe Scots	4	—	9	16	29	8
Penrith	2	4	7	25	44	8
Kewpies	2	2	9	17	29	6
Gymea	1	—	11	14	52	2

THIRD DIVISION	W	D	L	F	A	P
Rovers	8	—	2	46	12	16
Condell Park	7	1	2	27	14	15
G'ville-H'by	6	2	2	28	11	14
All Stars	5	1	3	20	16	11
Dee Why	3	3	4	20	21	9
Revesby	4	—	5	20	28	8
West Ryde	3	1	6	21	26	7
F'field-Kiev	1	1	6	14	34	3
Greenacre	1	1	6	16	49	3

FOURTH DIVISION	W	D	L	F	A	P
C'town	9	—	1	34	13	18
Liverpool	7	—	2	26	13	14
Padstow Park	5	3	3	34	31	13
Beverly Hills	4	3	3	25	22	11
Newtown	4	2	4	23	22	10
Maroubra	4	1	4	18	21	9
Prospect	3	2	6	21	19	8
Ku-ring-gai	3	1	7	32	32	7
Chelsea	2	3	6	15	37	7
Central Utd.	2	1	7	14	32	5

LAST WEEK'S

FIRST DIVISION	W	D	L	F	A	P
Melita Eagles v. Manly	5-2	3-0				
Prague v. Polonia	2-0	3-2				
Croatia v. Pan Hellenic	2-1	0-0				
APIA v. Yugal	6-0	3-4				
SCU v. St. George	3-0	3-1				
Hakoah v. Canterbury	6-0	2-3				

SECOND DIVISION	W	D	L	F	A	P
West v. H'by-NE	6-0	2-0	3-0			
Corinth v. B'gownie	0-2	0-3	1-1			
G'ville v. B'town	3-9	0-2	2-4			
S'land v. NS-Inter	1-2	3-0	8-1			
Marconi v. L. Cove	6-1	2-0	1-0			
N. B'town v. Auburn	0-1	0-0	2-1			

SYDNEY SECOND DIVISION

ROUND MAY PRODUCE A CLEAR-CUT LEADER

— By CHARLES SPITERI —

The surprise defeat of Sutherland at home by North Sydney-Inter has enabled Western Suburbs to jump into third place — four points behind the leaders Auburn and Bankstown.

West's gave Hornsby a trouncing at Drummoyne Oval and scored their best victory of the season.

Auburn still hang on to the lead despite their narrow win and Bankstown's run-away victory over Granville at Macarthur Park.

Hornsby: McDonald; Shields, Horrigan; Gray, J. Barber, D. Barber; Dickinson, Vickers, Booth, Sheringham, Hendriks.

North Bankstown v.

Auburn 0-1

Auburn took control of midfield, and for most of the game were on the attack, but a good goalkeeping display by North Bankstown 'keeper Kerr denied them many goals.

North Bankstown were also well served by experienced centre-half Bobby Madden, who gave a faultless performance.

After missing two golden chances to open the score, coach Z. Nowacki found the net in the second half to give Auburn their narrow victory.

Auburn: Brommett;

Smith, Haggett, Entwistle, Thompson, Keen; Allan, Moffat, Fernie, Nowacki (1), O'Neill.

Sutherland v. NS-Inter 1-2

An excellent performance by former APIA centre-half Roberto Murua helped North Sydney-Inter to an upset win over Sutherland at Seymour Shaw Park.

Inter played with more purpose and determination in the first half and broke through twice to lead 2-0 at half-time.

After the interval, Sutherland played much better and were in complete control of midfield, but poor shooting denied them the equaliser.

Sutherland: Root (Quinn); Paterson, McAneny; Turner, O'Reilly, Corfield (1); Bibbing, Davidson, Roche, Griffiths, Cucitti.

Granville v. Bankstown 3-9

In direct contrast to their first round clash, Granville provided little opposition and allowed Bankstown to sweep them off their feet to score their highest number of goals in one match this season.

Bankstown led 4-1 at the break and after the interval, Bankstown's Roger Bamforth ran riot, netting four goals to bring his tally for the match to five.

Under pressure, the Granville defence folded up and could only provide token opposition.

Granville: Sparkes; Staunton, Pendleton (1); Dean, Lorenzutta, Crelly (1); Dupont, W. Shepherd, Baaks (1), Tamandl (J. Williams), J. Shepherd.

Bankstown: Friedl; G. Jamieson, Fitzgerald; Attwood, Brach, McDermott; Stiffle (1), J. Jamieson (2), Bamforth (5), Madden, Clarke (1).

Marconi v.

Lane Cove 6-1

Chris Martin was against Marconi's trump card with another great performance — and four goals.

Lane Cove, playing three second graders in a reshuffled side, provided weak opposition and could only reply once through Dave Mitchell.

Lane Cove: Lee; Carter, Bertinetti; Cooper, Brown, Nadj; Aird, Gamble, Combe, Thompson, Mitchell (1).

THIS WEEKEND

The 13th round of the competition could be the most interesting so far and could produce a clear-cut leader.

Bankstown meet Balgownie at Balgownie Oval, and this could be close.

Auburn clash with the much improved Marconi at Mona Park.

Sydney second, third grades

SECOND GRADE

Melita Eagles 5: O'Keefe (Kucore); Hunter, Watts; A. Arrighi Woods, Edwards; Quesada (2), Price, R. Arrighi (1), McDonald (1), Brennan (1).

Manly 2: Dart, Hobart, Brown; Langelaar, Hutchison, Stocks; Ripley (Ridding, 1 pen.), Maloney, Verrills, Parker (1), Dobbin.

Referee: T. Cahill.

Prague 2: Earl; Loveday, Hill; Parkhouse, Rootsey, M. Lissing; Stephenson, Lowrey (1), Willcox, Miner (1), Reilly.

Polonia 0: Rosser; Fryar, Tomaszewski; Dougan, Melish, Constable; Small, Urbanak, McAllister, Prokurat, Hanley.

Referee: N. Micos.

Croatia 2: Easter; Williamson (1), Bonazza; B. Stuart, Brian, Woods; Barboutis, Johnson, J. Sambrook, J. Yaager, Longmuir (1).

Pan Hellenic 1: Iro (Maglis); Walker, Nicolopoulos; Mallard, Henson (1), Omeros; Demos, Goumas, Vrolyks, Bardetta, Gallagher.

Referee: N.F. Jones.

APIA 6: McQuire; Callaghan, Burnett; D. Parkin (1), C. Parkin, Di Leonardo; Pedula, Keddle (4), Dickinson, Muir, Burnett.

Yugal 0: Petrou (o.g.); Cirjanic, Clancy; Anastasi, Glenday, Clancy; Andjic, Bert, Durtovic, Grbavski, Maletin.

Referee: P. McFarland.

South Coast 4: Ramage; Kerr, Ringland; Shepherd, Grant, Strachan (1); Tolhurst, McLeod (1), Newman (1), Freeme (1), Griffith.

St. George 0: Hopkins (Ball); Giovanni, Wills; Bushby, Cox, Clarke; Burton (Piggott), Kane, Mansfield, McCalliog, Rees.

Referee: T. Scott.

Hakoah 6: Wilson; Edwards (1), Sutherland; Gardiner, Brown, Walsh; Lakmaker, Jeffrey, Keddle (4), Reichard, Holleman.

Canterbury 0: Lindsay; French, Maxwell, Eyre, Champion (o.g.), Raeburn; Como, H. Montague, Gordon, Harris, Wood.

Referee: E. Craggs.

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THIRD GRADE

Melita Eagles 3: Stern; Thompson, Mapledoran; Ko-mactis, Miranda, Pastor; Black, Wingfield (2), McDougall (1), Tomich, Stafford.

Manly 0: Gee; Russell, Highley; Heazlett, Wilson, Slade; Jasma, Murnane, Woods, Grant, Bayliss.

Referee: F. Sainty.

Prague 3: Bracklow; Greer, Spinks; Flynn, Zenari, Anasis; Steffe, Butt, Parkhouse (1), Franklin (2), Perry.

Polonia 2: Prosser; Wellings, Davies; Tansley, Henretty, McFadyen; Irwin, Chodkiewicz (1), Blaszak, Watson (1), Parkin.

Referee: M. Hollott.

Croatia 0: Mumford; Carr, Griffith; Low, Thompson, Slater; Zanetti, Dalforno, Sanders, Ross, Vlatko.

Pan Hellenic 0: McClure; Dredge, Adams; Haggett, Sparis, Campbell; Coelho, Petratitis, Huntley, Tiliacos, Sotos.

Referee: A. Harbridge.

APIA 3: Seymour; Finlay, Buckley; McNamara, Russell, Clochiatti; Fedele (2), McKenzie, Blue, Butler (1), Morrison.

Yugal 4: Goufas; Kolmanis, Kelly; Abercrombie, Harden, Kipie; Nelson (1), Roudgley, Glenday (2), Wiley (1), J. Lising.

Referee: R. Preston.

South Coast 3: Radburn; Bott, Newson; Kelly, Whitefield, C. Vangelovitch; Crampe, Conlin (1), Tuckerman (2), Jones, T. Vangelovitch.

St. George 1: Frazer; Gibb, Gordon (Cox); Bird, Stead, Lewis; Liddy, Rodgers (1), Freer, Treasure, Middleton.

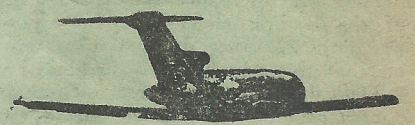
Referee: V. Masters.

Hakoah 2: Deak; McIlveen, J. Reichard; Szegedi, Smith, Round; Berger, Ams (1), Harivel, Taylor, Kovacic (1).

Canterbury 3: Collins; Eldridge, Paul; Carstairs, Domenici, Harris; Mynton, Mashman, Thompson (2), Salerno (1), Seymour.

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